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Applicants:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT

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In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the first month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed October 1, 2008. The required fee of \$130.00 for the requested extension of time is electronically submitted hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 529.45793X00).

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